

# Navy WWII

## Casualties

1946

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(11) → Harry S. Gates  
Kay M. Jones  
Ralph Abbott Mayhew

### ~~Missing~~ Wounded in Action:

Chas Lynn Bonner  
Clarence Nolan Dean

James Bethol Howe

Andrew E Lundin

Delbert R. Mace

Jack Probst -

John Lawrence Sundblom

Dallas J. Thacker

four months after her husband  
ay. She and "Grandma" Rasband  
the same day. Joint funeral serv-  
bell for them in the Stake Taber-

## ROBERT JR. AND EMMA MONTGOMERY

McKnight Jr., a son of Robert  
McKnight, was born in Keyport, Pennsylvania. He  
was less than one year when his  
mother crossed the plains in a  
company.

He lived his boyhood and adult life in  
Utah. He was a mason and plas-  
terer, and worked in the lumber  
business, however, as a young man.  
After his marriage, he was  
learning to play the cornet first.  
He was a member of the first band in He-  
ber. He was under the directorship of  
Robert Sr. Later he learned to  
dance and played at dances his  
wife was always accompanied by  
him. He was married to Dick Duke, at the or-  
ganization. Edward Murdock also ac-  
companied him with his guitar and later his  
wife, McKnight, played the banjo.  
He was known as "Bert," as he was known, was also  
known for his contributions on all Church  
buildings. His sons and daugh-  
ters were: Rudolph, Emma, Ina, Clara,  
Alma, Luella, Bert, Lynn and  
Clarence. A total of 11 children.  
Clarence both died in infancy.

Emma, daughter of Jonas and  
Melton Johnson, was born in  
Sweden. She was sent to this  
country by the Church at the age of 12  
on a sailing ves-  
sel. Her entire food supply was  
given to her. After landing at Ellis Island,  
she came to Salt Lake City with a tag  
for her coat for identification.

She lived in Salt Lake City some years  
before Nettie Soffia. As a young  
woman she worked as a laundry-  
man Young's Lion House. Later  
she lived with her sister Nettie in the  
restaurant in Salt Lake for three  
years then came to Heber Valley after  
she came from Sweden. She met  
Robert there and after a year of

She lived at the sawmills in the summers  
with her husband, until they could acquire  
a home in Heber City. They lived at Dan-  
iels Creek, Wasatch County, for three years  
and then moved back to Heber. Emma was  
known for her frankness and industry. She  
was known as a very hard worker and a  
home lover. Her memories of her life in  
Sweden were very keen, and her love for  
that land was with her always.

## ROBERT MONTGOMERY SR.



Robert Montgomery Sr. was born Jan-  
uary 7, 1825, in Ireland.

He went to Scotland and married Mary  
Rogers Loury on March 1, 1846. She  
died January 10, 1863, in Heber City.

Mary Rogers Loury was born in Scot-  
land on April 25, 1830. Seven children  
were born to them: Agnes, Sarah, Mary,  
Robert, Livingston, Elizabeth, Christine.  
Two children by two later marriages were:  
Josephine Booth and John L. Horrocks.

Robert Montgomery Sr. was the sev-  
enth child of Robert Montgomery and Ag-  
nes Shepherd. He was born January 7, 1825,  
in Churchtown, Ireland. At what age he en-  
tered the British army is not known, but at  
the age of 15 years he left the army and  
went to Scotland. Records show that at  
the age of 22, Robert Montgomery married  
Mary Rogers Loury. Robert was listed as  
being from Don Donald Parish, Ireland, and  
Mary gave her home town as Sanquiver  
Parish, Ayrshire, Scotland. The date was  
March 1, 1846.

During the winter of 1846, Robert and  
Mary joined the Mormon Church. Robert  
was called to preside over the Ayrshire Dis-  
trict. To provide for an ever-increasing fam-  
ily, Robert worked in the mines in various

detrimental to his health, he decided to emi-  
grate to Utah, which he did in 1861.

He crossed the ocean on the ship "Un-  
derwriter," with 624 LDS members aboard.  
Nulo Andrus, Homer Duncan, and C. N.  
Penrose were in charge of the group.  
The ship arrived at New York at Castle  
Gardens on May 22, 1861. June 2, 1861,  
found him at Florence, Nebraska, and on  
September 21, 1861, he arrived among  
friends in Heber City, Utah. There he pro-  
ceeded to plan for the coming of his fam-  
ily. During the time he was building a home  
he lived with the following families: Thom-  
as Nicols, James Laird, Thomas Todd, Jesse  
Bond, David Stevenson and John McKe-  
chney. Robert worked as a pioneer cabinet  
maker. He made the desk that was used in  
the old tithing office at Heber City.

Mary Rogers Loury was born at Witlets  
Toll, Scotland, on April 25, 1830, 19 days  
after the organization of The Church of  
Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Mary  
and her seven children sailed on May 14,  
1862, on the "Tapscott" from Liverpool.  
Francis M. Lyman, John Clark and William  
Gibson were in charge of the company. They  
arrived in New York and went by train to  
the Missouri River, where they joined the  
Homer Duncan company. This company left  
Florence, Nebraska, on July 24, 1862, and  
arrived in Salt Lake City on September 22,  
1862.

Robert and his family were reunited only  
to be permanently separated on January 10,  
1863, by the death of Robert. He was at  
this time 38 years and 3 days old. Mary,  
age 32, was left with seven children to face  
the dreary winter and years ahead. The  
family of Robert and Mary Montgomery  
are: Agnes, Sarah, Mary, Robert, Living-  
ston, Christine, Josephine and John L. This  
was the humble start of the Montgomery  
family in Wasatch County. Subsequently  
Mary remarried. Mary Montgomery died  
July 2, 1904, at the age of 74 years, at  
Heber City, Utah.

## ROBERT BOOTH MONTGOMERY

My father, Robert Booth Montgomery,  
was born September 13, 1854, at Creg-  
mark, Ayrshire County, Scotland. He was  
the son of Robert and Mary Loury Mont-

gomery, the fourth in a family of seven  
children. As a child of seven he emigrated  
to America with his mother, sisters and  
brother. They sailed on a Wednesday, ap-  
proximately May 14, 1862, from Liverpool,  
England, on the ship "William Topscot,"  
with 808 saints. They were under the di-  
rection of William Gibson, John Clark and  
Francis M. Lyman. As fellow passengers on  
board were friends from Scotland, John M.  
Murdock and family. After six weeks on  
the water they arrived safely at New York.  
Then began their long, hard journey across  
the plains by ox team with the Captain Dun-  
can company. My father walked all the  
way. They arrived at Kansas City and  
there awaited the arrival of their husband  
and father, Robert Sr. He, with his friend,  
Jimmy Laird, had come to Utah in 1861 and  
had located at Heber City, Utah. He had  
built a log house with dirt floors and roof,  
ready to receive his loved ones. Food had  
been scarce, the winters severe and cold, and  
the effects of working many years in the  
coal mines in Scotland began to tell on him.  
His health broke, so when the time came  
for him to meet his family he was too ill  
to go, so he sent his friend, Jimmy Laird,  
in his place. One night, while his wife Mary  
was asleep, she awakened to hear a clear  
Scotch voice calling, "Is Mary Montgomery  
aboard." She was disappointed, but courage  
was common in that persevering band. They  
made their way to Utah. Grandfather was  
overjoyed at seeing his family. Within six  
months he developed pneumonia and died on  
January 10, 1863. The snow was about three  
feet deep when they buried him in Heber  
Cemetery.

Having been a good carpenter, he owned  
a very good set of carpenter tools. Grand-  
mother had to sell them for money to live  
on. She traded a valuable Scotch Paisley  
shawl for a cow so the children could have  
milk.

My father was then but eight years old.  
He was hired out to work for Bishop Hunter.  
He worked several years, turning the money  
over to his mother to help with living ex-  
penses. When he was 12 years old he and  
his brother Livingston, age eight, hauled  
wood from the canyons for fuel. When he  
was 17 he was a blacksmith in the mines  
at Alta and Big Cottonwood Canyon. While  
there a cave-in occurred, and cut his head,